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CAIRO PLEASE PASS AMBASSADOR CRAWFORD

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR CY TU

SUBJECT: TURKISH IMMIGRATION TO NORTHERN CYPRUS

REF: (A) 75 NICOSIA 3315 (DTG 251053Z NOV 75), (B) 75 NICOSIA  
3370 (DTG 031050Z DEC 75)

1. GOC FOREIGN MINISTER CHRISTOPHIDES SUMMONED UN SYG SPEC  
REP PEREZ DE CUELLAR AND UNFICYP SENIOR POLITICAL ADVISOR  
GORGE DECEMBER 27 TO DRAW THEIR ATTENTION TO INFORMATION IN  
GOC HANDS INDICATING THAT TURKS, IN CONTRAVENTION OF UN RES  
3395, WERE CONTINUING THEIR ATTEMPTS TO CHANGE DEMOGRAPHIC  
CHARACTER OF ISLAND. GOC CLAIMED THAT TURKISH GOVERNMENT  
HAD PLANS TO SETTLE IN CYPRUS "IN A VERY SHORT TIME" ANOTHER  
20,000 MAINLAND TURKS IN ADDITION TO THE 20,000 ALREADY HERE  
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AND AIMED TO INCREASE THE TURKISH POPULATION ON THE ISLAND

TO 160,000 WHILE CYPRUS NEGOTIATIONS WERE GOING ON.

2. GORGE TELLS US THAT IN RESPONSE TO FOLLOW-UP INQUIRIES OF PEREZ DE CUELLAR, TURK CYPRIOT AUTHORITIES CATEGORICALLY DENIED GREEK CYPRIOT ALLEGATIONS AND SAID GREEKS APPEARED TO BE ERRONEOUSLY EXTRAPOLATING FROM SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET, RECENTLY APPROVED BY "TFSC" CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY, FOR RESETTLEMENT OF TURK CYPRIOTS. IN SAME VEIN, TURK CYPRIOT SPOKESMAN SAID DECEMBER 31 THAT ALLEGATIONS "HAD BEEN DREAMED UP BY GREEK CYPRIOTS AND THAT TURKISH SIDE DID NOT HAVE TIME TO BOTHER WITH SUCH MEANINGLESS ALLEGATIONS".

3. COMMENT: AS WE HAVE REPORTED EARLIER (75 NICOSIA 3315 AND 75 NICOSIA 3370), WE ARE REASONABLY CERTAIN THAT AT LEAST 10,000 MAINLAND TURKS HAVE SETTLED IN NORTHERN CYPRUS AND THAT MAINLAND IMMIGRATION IS CONTINUING. WHILE WE SUSPECT THE FIGURE IS HIGHER, WE CANNOT CONFIRM GOC ALLEGATIONS THAT IT HAS RISEN TO 20,000 MARK. WE ALSO DOUBT THAT TURKS COULD DOUBLE NUMBER OF TURKISH IMMIGRANTS/WORKERS IN SHORT PERIOD OF TIME, EVEN IF THEY WANTED TO, OR KEEP SECRET FOR VERY LONG THE PRESENCE OF SUCH A NEW AND MASSIVE INFLUX OF MAINLANDERS.  
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